

PATENT APPLICATION
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Shinya WATANABE , et al.

Appln. No.: Not Yet Assigned

Group Art Unit:

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Examiner:

Filed: June 07, 2001

For: PRODUCTION PROCESS OF CYCLOHEXENYL METHYL KETONES

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, paragraph 2, the specification is changed as follows:

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

2,6,6-Trimethylcyclohexenyl methyl ketone is a useful compound as an intermediate for the synthesis of fruity floral fragrant materials such as α - and β -damascone.

Damascones typified by α -damascone which serves as a key note component of natural roses have been commercially produced and practically used as an important fruity floral fragrance. Damascones have three double-bond-depending isomers as described below.

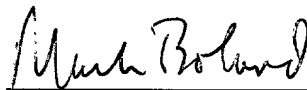
These isomers have their own odor notes, respectively, while they have a fruity floral note basically. They are used differently according to their application purposes.

AMENDMENT
Attorney Docket No. Q4848

REMARKS

Entry and consideration of this Amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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APPENDIX

VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

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